

Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

English Language Declaration

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ANALYZING ANTIBIOTIC SUSCEPTIBILITY OF BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES

the specification of which

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☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on May 31, 2000 as United States Application No. or PCT International Application Number 09/583,891 and was amended on _____

(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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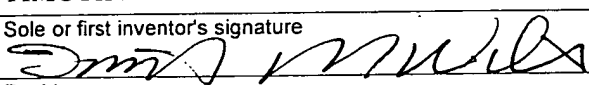
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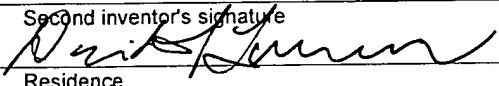
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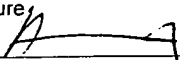
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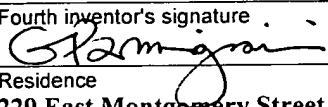
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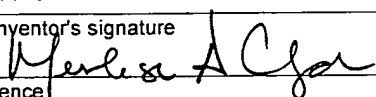
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